

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 872
By Finney

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Joshua David Jenkins,
2006 Co-Valedictorian of Sevier County High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Joshua David Jenkins is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Joshua David Jenkins has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Joshua Jenkins has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average and was selected for participation in the Tennessee Governor's School for International Studies; and

WHEREAS, a very talented and award-winning musician who has performed in numerous competitions, parades, and concerts, Joshua is a member of the Marching Band, the Concert Band, the Symphonic Band and the Jazz Band at Sevier County High School, as well as the Walters State Community College Jazz Band; and

WHEREAS, a leader among his peers who participated in American Legion Boys' State, Joshua Jenkins is a Senior Senator of the Student Government Association, Captain of the Scholars' Bowl team, Vice President of American Field Service, and President of the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, an active member of numerous clubs and organizations, Mr. Jenkins is a member of National Senior Beta Club, Students Against Destructive Decisions, Distributive Education Club of America, Medical Explorer Scouts, and the Junior Classical League; and

WHEREAS, named to the All "A" Honor Roll, Joshua Jenkins has been honored by the National Honor Society and the National Beta Club, in addition to receiving awards for Honors Biology I, English III, U.S. History, U.S. Government, Latin II, and Wellness; and

WHEREAS, an active member of his community, Joshua is a junior volunteer at the University of Tennessee Medical Center-Knoxville and a faithful member of Paw Paw Hollow Baptist Church,

WHEREAS, Mr. Jenkins's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Joshua's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Wallace D. and Anita L. Jenkins, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Jenkins's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2006 Sevier County High School Co-Valedictorian, Joshua David Jenkins, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.